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FISH PRODUCTION IN KARNATAKA
SRIKANTA DATTA NARASIMHARAJA WADIYAR

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have identified the potential of Karnataka in fish production;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to increase fish production in the State during the Ninth Five Year Plan ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): Yes, Sir.
(b): Estimated marine fishery potential of Karnataka is 4.25 lakh tonnes of which 2.25 lakh tonnes from the inshore waters upto a depth of 70m and remaining 2.00 lakh tonnes from off-shore/deep sea. State has 5.03 lakh hectare of fresh water resources comprising of 2.93 lakh hectare of tanks and ponds, 2.10 lakh hectare reservoirs. Estimated inland fishery potential of the State is 3.00 lakh tonnes per annum. Present production is 2.50 lakh tonnes from Marine and Inland Sectors.
(c): Steps taken to improve fish production in the State during Ninth Plan include:

(i) Reimbursement of Central Excise Duty and remission of State Sale Tax for HSD used by mechanised boats,

(ii) Subsidy for motorisation of traditional craft and provision of fish finding and navigational equipment,

(iii) Implementation of NCDC assisted projects in integrated marine fisheries development and Integrated Reservoirs Fisheries Development at block costs of Rs. 23.24 crores and Rs. 4.28 crores respectively,

(iv) Set up 13 Fish Farmers Development Agencies (FFDAs),

(v) Extended subsidy for fish seed production and development of water logged areas.